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SUBJECT: URGING AUNG SAN SUU KYI'S RELEASE

REF: STATE 46562 - DEMARCHE URGING ASSK'S RELEASE

Classified By: Political Counselor Mark D. Clark, reason 1.4 (b and d).

(C) Poloff utilized reftel points, requesting countries to urge Burma to release Aung San Suu Kyi from house arrest, on May 11 with the Malaysian Foreign Ministry's Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, and Vietnam division. Poloff followed up on May 14 with the division's Principal Assistant Secretary Raja Saifful. Saifful stated that the Ministry was "very concerned that the military junta will continue" to keep Aung San Suu Kyi in prison, and that this was "one of the most pressing matters" briefed to Foreign Minister Anifah prior to his trip to Washington for a May 14 meeting with the Secretary. Saifful expressed appreciation for our points and pledged to share these with MFA Secretary General Rastam. Saifful, however, did not indicate whether Malaysia had raised this issue with the Burmese regime. We will follow up with any additional response.  
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